# SINE DIE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL BOROUGH OF HARRINGTON PARK COUNTY OF BERGEN JANUARY 2, 2021

### AGENDA PUBLIC NOTICE

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Topic: Sine Die Meeting Jan 2, 2021

Time: Jan 2, 2021 11:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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Formal Action may or may not be taken. Any other business that may come before the Council

(PAH) Call Meeting to Order: Time: 11:30am

## (PAH) Mayor's Announcement:

"In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. Notice of meetings posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center and have been emailed to the BERGEN RECORD and SUBURBANITE, and copies have been provided to individuals requesting same."

## (ALB) Roll Call:

	PRESENT	ABSENT
NAPOLITANO(AN)	Х	
EVANELLA (GE)	Х	
WALKER (DW)	Х	
BROCKMAN (JB)	Х	
PEDERSEN (JP)	Х	
CHUNG (JC)	Х	

Also present: Ms. Ann H. Bistritz –Borough Clerk/Administrator

Mr. John R. Dineen-Borough Attorney Mr. Kunjesh Trivedi, CFO/Tax Collector

#### (PAH) Flag Salute

(PAH) Suspend the Regular Order of Business

Motion GE Second JP Vote AIF

(PAH) Open the Meeting to the Public Motion GE

Second JP Vote AIF

(PAH) Normally PAH nominates and individual for the Citizen of the Year. However, with the horrific year we have faced with the Pandemic and associated problems, he could not think of anything better than honoring all the First Responders that support our community and put their lives and health on the line every day.

The Proclamation below will be post for the public.

#### Citizens of the Year 2020 Proclamation

WHEREAS, courageous and dedicated men and women work to protect and aid Harrington Park during all types of emergencies, as both professional and volunteer First Responders; and

WHEREAS, The Harrington Park First Responders "family" includes the 911 dispatchers, our Police Department, the Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department, the Harrington Park Volunteer Ambulance Corps, and all the other members of Interborough agreements, Mutual Aid services, Emergency Management, other Harrington Departments; and

WHEREAS, every day, First Responders risk their own health and safety in the performance of their duties to protect the residents of Harrington Park; and

WHEREAS, Harrington Park's First Responders are vital members of our community, protecting our neighbors and loved ones, against all emergencies that may threaten our municipality; and

WHEREAS, Our First Responders are ready to aid people 24 hours a day, seven days a week, regardless of inclement weather or other hazards; and

WHEREAS, First Responders are highly trained, specialized volunteers and employees who contribute their excellent skills for the public good; and

WHEREAS, all those that are involved with the Borough of Harrington Park First Responder team undergo extensive education, and training and make significant personal sacrifices in order to achieve the expertise required to respond to emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, through the course of the COVID-19 Pandemic, First Responders have been on the forefront of keeping our Harrington Park safe from the wide range of adverse effects of the virus; and

WHEREAS, in addition to maintaining safety and order in times of crisis, many First Responders also enhance their communities as volunteers for service organizations, churches, and schools.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, let it be known that,

Harrington Park's First Responders are recognized by the Borough of Harrington Park as Citizens of the Year 2020 **BE IT FURTHER UNDERSTOOD,** that the residents of Harrington Park extend our thanks and appreciation for our First Responders' dedicated service.

Thank you and Congratulations.		

Paul A. Hoelscher, Mayor

### (PAH) Close Meeting to the Public

**Motion GE** 

Second JP

Vote AIF

## (PAH) Return to the Regular Order of Business

**Motion GE** 

Second JP

**Vote AIF** 

#### **Consent Minutes Approval:**

## (PAH) Agenda Minutes-December 14, 2020

Regular Meeting Minutes-December 21, 2020

Motion JP

Second JB

Discussion: GE had made some verbiage changes/clarifications to the Police Reports in the December 14, and December 21. GE thanked ALB for updating prior to the meeting.. Vote AIF

## **Consent Resolutions**

Addendum A 2020-152 Payment of Claims

Addendum B 2020-153 Transfer of Funds- Authorizing the Transfer of 2020 Operating Budget Appropriations

**Motion JP** 

Second JC

**Discussion None** 

Vote AIF

#### (PAH) Old and Unfinished Business:

(**JP**) The Borough has received \$27210.33 through the CAIRS Act. \$8375.04 for the Ambulance Corps.

Budget deadline has been moved to March 31 with and adoption of April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Finance department is wrapping up the year-end responsibilities and preparing for budget meetings.

#### (PAH) Closed Session-None

## Mayor's Remarks:

PAH noted how unbelievable this year has been. The Council has worked extremely hard and put in so much time to address all concerns and problems of our residents. Much were things that we never had to deal with before. Collectively they have done an outstanding job. PAH hopes that there will be some relief from the COVID 19 Pandemic, and the community can get back on track. He misses seeing the residents and so many others. Council has not met collectively since February of 2020.

## **Council Member's Remarks:**

GE truly enjoys the interaction that you truly have when you sit on a dais, but he is still grateful for the good job the Council does. It is not always prefect, it is not always quick, but he hopes the residents are satisfied with the work we do as a harmonious group. Decisions are always made in good faith. He is glad he had the opportunity to run for Council, and it is a true pleasure to work with everyone. He looks forward to sitting together in 2021.

JC agreed with PAH for his decision for Citizens of the Year. Our First Responders have really come through for our residents. She is profoundly grateful for their care and commitment to our community. She thanks them for always being on the forefront of information, and for the personal sacrifices they make. (GE agreed)

JB added that as a First Responder the level of accountability that all the volunteers have had increased. But, it is a collaborative effort of everyone.

AN as liaison to the HPVAC and HPVFD, he can attest to the great work that is far and above the regular duties that they need to provide. He has made a concerted effort to keep open communications with each department and ensure that there is a spending plan in place to keep the equipment up to date and safe. The commitment of our volunteers is a testament to our town. He tanks all and looks forward to working with these groups for another year.

JP concluded that he echoes all the sentiments of his fellow council members. They have all rose to the occasion to deal with many difficult situations.

He also recognized Ann Bistritz, Clerk and Kunjesh Trivedi, CFO for their hard work enabling everything to move smoothly through the office end. Their work is appreciated. PAH concurred with JP, appreciating all our Borough employees do on a regular basis.

Adjournment Sine Die (2020 Business) Time: 11:46am

Motion: GE Second: JP Vote: AIF

> Addendum A Resolution

# Payment of Claims 2020-152

**WHEREAS**, claims have been submitted to the Borough of Harrington Park in the following amounts under various funds of the town:

Current Appropriations (2019)	\$
Current Appropriations (2020)	\$ 153,364.85
General Capital Fund	\$ 13,201.80
Animal Trust	\$
Miscellaneous Trust	\$ 1,108.50
Affordable Housing Trust	\$
Open Space Trust Fund	\$ 3,362.00
Grants	\$
Escrow	\$

Total \$ 171,037.15

**WHEREAS**, above claims have been listed and summarized in the attached Bills List Report, and the corresponding vouchers have been reviewed and approved by the department head, Borough Council, and the chief financial officer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the funds have been properly appropriated for such purposes and are available in the Borough of Harrington Park and that the claims specified on the schedule attached hereto, following examination and approval by the Council and Chief Financial Officer and Department Head be paid and checks issued accordingly; and

**WHEREAS**, claims have already been paid in the following amounts for the purpose specified below:

Payroll- Salaries/Wages	\$
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Local School-	\$
Regional School –	\$
Capital Fund/Health Benefits	\$
Debt Services Principle (bond)	\$
Debt Services Interest	\$
Debt Service Loan/Interest (NJEIT)	\$

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that the claims totaling **§ 301,346.44** be approved and ratified respectively.

TOTAL

\$ 130,309.29

# Addendum B Resolution 2020-153 Transfer of Funds

Authorizing the Transfer of 2020 Operating Budget Appropriations

**WHEREAS**, Title 40A:4-58 provides that should it become necessary, during the last two months of the fiscal year, to expend for any of the purposes specified in the budget an amount in excess of the respective sums appropriated therefore and there shall be an excess in any appropriations over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, the Governing Body may by resolution setting forth the facts (adopted by not less than 2/3 vote of the full membership thereof), transfer the amount of such excess of those appropriations deemed to be insufficient.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Harrington Park that the Ch Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the 2020 Operating Budget

From: 1000 01-20-150-000-200 Tax Assessment OE 01-27-330-000-200 2000 Board of Health OE 01-20-330-000-100 3500 Finance OE 01-26-290-000-100 6000 Road Repair SW 01-26-310-000-200 5000 Public Building and Ground

17,500.00

Total:

To:

01-27-330-000-100	5500
Health SW	
01-21-180-000-200	5000
Planning Board	
01-26-315-000-200	6000
Vehicle Maintenance	
01-20-150-000-100	1000
Tax Assessor SW	

Total: 17,500.00